schools in the Kanyakumari district. May I know what stands in the way of the Government to enforce the recommendations of the Pay Commission in the case of clerks?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: There was a scheme called the private secondary school scheme, which was in force in the Kanyakumari district before the merger, and that is continued after 1st November 1956. According to this scheme, the managers of schools in those areas are to remit into the treasury 80 per cent of the fee collections from the pupils. They can retain the remaining 20 per cent of the fee collection for the purpose of meeting the expenditure on rent, contingencies and payment of salaries to the non-teaching staff employed in the schools. If the Pay Commission's recommendations are to be accepted, they will not be able to meet the extra cost from this 20 per cent. Therefore, the Government are now considering whether they should not revise the scheme.

SRI T. P. SRINIVASAVARADAN: Sir, are the Government aware that the clerks are getting anything between Rs. 50 and Rs. 70—all told?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: The Government will take all the aspects into consideration and see how the scheme which is now in force should be revised.

Pension rules

* 119 *Q.*—SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state with reference to the answer given to Legislative Council Question No. 210 on 30th April 1960—

(*a*) whether the Government have taken any decision in the matter of applicability of the pension rules to the teachers in Kanyakumari district; and

(*b*) the number of teachers who have retired from secondary schools under private managements in Kanyakumari district from 1st November 1956 till date?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: (*a*) Yes, Sir. The benefit of the Madras Teacher's Contributory Provident Fund Insurance-Pension Rules, 1958, has been extended to the staff of aided educational institutions in the transferred areas with effect from 1st January 1962.

(*b*) One hundred and twenty-seven up to 31st May 1962.

SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY: Sir, am I to understand that all the teachers who retired between the period 1st November 1956 and the date of effect of the pension G.O. are to have retrospective effect regarding their pension?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: All that is under examination.